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George Mueller On Prayer

Asked as to how much time he spent in prayer, his reply was: "Hours, every day. But I live in the spirit of prayer. I pray as I walk, when I lie down, and when I rise. And the answers are always coming. Tens of thousands of times have my prayers been answered.

When once I am persuaded that a thing is right, I go on praying for it till the end comes. I never give up! Thousands of souls have been saved in answer to my prayers. I shall meet tens of thousands of them in heaven.

The great point is never to give up until the answer comes.

I have been praying every day for fifty-two years for two men, sons of a a friend of my youth. They are not converted yet, but they will be! How can it be otherwise? There is the unchanging promise of Jehovah, and on that

The great fault of the children of God is, they do not continue in prayer; they do not go on praying; they do not persevere. If they desire anything for God's glory, they should pray - until they get it."

Read Gen. 32.24-28; Gen. 15:7-21; Ruth 1:8-19; I Sam. 1:5-18, 20, 24-28; 2 Chron. 16:9; Ps. 84:11; Jer. 29:13; Daniel, Chapters 9 and 10; Hosea 10:12; Matt. 17:20-21; Matt. 21:18-22; Mark 9:23; Mark 11:22-26; Luke 11:1-13; Luke 18:1-8; Heb. 10:35-36.

Whatsoever ye shall ask in My Name, that I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son.

If ye shall ask anything in My Name, I will do it. — John 14:13, 14.



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The remarkable Grandma Barton, standing in her garden, is seen on this months cover. For the thrilling story of this 103-year-old lady, see pages 4 and 5.



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The Measuring Line

PASTOR Zechariah tingled with excitement. Through his office window he could see the architect at work, measuring up for the new assembly. Things were going just fine. Soon, folk would be coming all distances to see the latest in church architecture.

He gulped — with pardonable pride. Zechariah had been sent by God, not to pioneer a new cause, but to rebuild the ruins of an old one. This was, probably, an even harder job. The city was Jerusalem, now derelict and overgrown after the seventy years exile of its residents. To enthuse the few complacent people that were available had taxed all his resources, but with the zoom of youth most of the half-heartedness had been over-

It is human and not altogether wrong to want to assess our work for God and measure its results. It seems so simple to do this. Everyone around us, whether in church, business or politics, is doing it by reducing everything to statistics and making comparisons.

come. The ambitious building plans

were, surely, evidence of this.

So, we take the measuring line generally used in human calculations and begin, first, to count up the number of influential people that are now attending our church. They help to boost its standing in the community.

Then, perhaps, we measure the increase of our income or in the size of the church budget. We think of the plush new fittings acquired and the super comfort offered to those who will come and see the programs put on to attract newcomers.

Now we turn with pride to the greatest of all signs of success: the number of adherents we have, espec-

ially in our Sunday school.

Perhaps Pastor Zechariah was trying to tabulate the result of God's work by merely human calculation, because God showed him a man — His man — with a measuring line. Puzzled at such a vision, Zechariah asked him "Whither goest thou? And he said . . . 'To measure Jerusalem, to see what is the breadth thereof and what is the length thereof.' (Zechariah 2.1-2)

Evidently, the young pastor needed to learn that the results of God's work can best and only be calculated by God's measuring line. As if to confirm this, God gave His heavenly surveyor these orders: "Run, speak to this young man, saying 'Jerusalem shall be inhabited as towns without walls . . . for I, saith the Lord, will be unto her a wall of fire round about and will be the glory in the midst of her.'" (Zech. 2.4-5) It became apparent that something had been happening far beyond Zechariah's comprehension.

Any pastor is glad to welcome people of influence to his church and, if they become converted and consecrated, they can, in due time, help forword the work of the Gospel. But, we do wrong to imagine that spiritual success and social status are equivalent terms. God delights to take men like those who joined themselves to king David in the cave of Adullum -"everyone that was in distress and everyone that was in debt and everyone that was discontented" (1 Sam. 22.2) - and, by loving care and discipline, change them into "mighty men or renown." Here is a measurement worth considering, but sometimes overlooked: the depth of God's work in an individual.

A pastor, too, is rightfully happy to know of his church's increasing income. He expects this, and under-

stands that the manner of a person's financial giving is one measurement of his true consecration. But a truer assessment of what is taking place could, possibly, be seen if a figure was found by dividing total income by the number of contributors. This might be more in keeping with the judgment of Christ concerning the poor widow who had dropped "two coppers" in the treasury. "I assure you," He flashed, "that this poor widow has put in more than all of them, for they have put in what they can easily spare, but she in her poverty has given away her whole living." (Luke 21.4. Phillips') How can we measure the breadth of God's work as it touches the poor of this world? Maybe, that question is to 'purse-an'-all.'

A frequent greeting between pastors is: "How many did you have out on Sunday?" Feelings and even valuations of success or failure hang upon the reply to this constant question. Numbers sound impressive and, in this age, are almost the final argument. But they relate rather differently in spiritual things as any Bible student will know.

A well-known columnist who is, also a seminary professor wrote in his diary: "I preached today in the church of one of my students who has 104 members and there were 95 people present at the service. Last Sunday, I attended a church with 9000 members only 1600 of whom were in attendance. In this land of great churches I become more than ever an advocate of the small community. The 9000 member church has a magnificent plant, but it has to resort to 40 potluck suppers a week to gain the sembalance of fellowship". Numbers can mislead.

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(Above) With Bible in hand and a heart toward worship, Grandma Barton faithfully attends church each Sunday at the Escalon Assembly of God. Pastor Melvin Steward remarked that she often attends Sunday school, morning worship, C. A. service and the evening service. (Below, left) Sewing is one of her varied activities. Here she puts the finishing touches on a dress. Grandma Barton leaves her house on her way to church (below, right).





THE STORY OF

WHEN the first shot was fired in the Battle of Bull Run to start the Civil War, Elizabeth Wells Barton was three years old. James Buchanan was President of the United States, slavery was still practiced in the South and the transcontinental railroad had not yet been built, when she was born in Pike County, Illinois, on April 27, 1858 - 103 years ago.

Last Sunday, Elizabeth Barton was in her place for Sunday school and church as usual at the Escalon Assembly of God. She is now known as Grandma Barton by the many people of the Escalon area who have come to love her over the years. And folks remember her best for her zealous Christian testimony and the fact she is so active even in her 103rd year.

Mrs. Barton spent her childhood in Illinois where she has clear recollection of hearing about Abraham Lincoln and recalls reading the newspaper accounts of the Civil War. Her father was a devout Christian who faithfully called his family together each day for worship. It was at the age of 14 in an old log schoolhouse which was used as the church, that Grandma Barton was saved. There was an active "amen corner" and it was the custom to have real prayer meetings by the light of homemade tallow candles.

In 1882 she was married to Perry Franklin Barton, a medical doctor. In 1911 they came to California, and settled on a ranch near Oakdale. They reared a family of five boys and two girls, five of whom are still living. Bert, 74, her eldest son, lives in nearby Oakdale.

It was in 1923 that Grandma Barton had her first contact with Pentecostal people. Reflecting on those days, she comments, with eyes sparkling and a keen alertness, "I think coming into Pentecost has prolonged my life."

She tells of going to a hall in Escalon which had been rented by Rev. P. C. Tacker and there attended her first Pentecostal service. Without hestitation she knew this was just





GRANDMA BARTON

what she needed. Each night she would attend and seek the baptism in the Holy Spirit, but without receiving. Finally, on a Sunday night she returned home very discouraged. Turning in her Bible to John 14, she read the full chapter and went to bed feeling the peace of the Lord in her heart. In the night she awcke and began to seek the Lord. Soon she experienced the joy and exhileration of the presences of the Holy Spirit. In this rich blessing she became so loud that she aroused the people of the house and the nearby neighbors, who thought the coyotes had come. But this was just a beginning of new spiritual heights for Grandma Barton.

She has always and still is a busy person. Her days are filled with sewing, gardening and reading. Among her favorite magazines are *The Pentecostal Evangel*, *Glad Tidings Magazine* and the *Reader's Digest*. Of course there is always that precious time each day spent with God's Word.

In addition to sewing and gardening, Grandma Barton finds time to do an oil painting occasionally.

But the highlight of her week is Sunday. She looks forward to the time of spiritual blessing and the opportunity to testify to God's blessing in her life as she attends church almost every Sunday morning and as often as she can in the evenings.

"I just trust the Lord and don't worry," was her answer when asked why she has lived so long, "I've always done the best I could and left the rest to the Lord," she commented further. Her whole approach to life seems to be summed up in her simple faith in God. A faith that still satisfies after many years.

Grandma Barton lives in her own house where she enjoys a rather independent life. Her youngest child, Mable, 59, lives with her husband and family in a house just adjacent to Grandma Barton's.

Grandma Barton is known for miles around because of the occasional publicity the papers bring her over her age. She is loved by the entire community and respected for her Christian stand. And then there are her 17 grandchildren and 38 great-grandchildren who have also risen up to call her blessed. Grandma Barton's 103 years have been happy, fruitful ones and she modestly feels no credit is due her, but rather gives God the glory.



Elizabeth Wells Barton at the age of 14. It was about this time that she gave her heart to the Lord in an old log schoolhouse which was used as a church.



Last April 27 there were 103 candles placed on Grandma Barton's birthday cake. (Above) She smiles modestly while posing for a newspaper picture. (Right) Dr. Barton and his family as they appeared in 1903. Grandma Barton is seen holding her youngest daughter, Mable, who now lives next door to her.



Rev. and Mrs. Gerhart stand before the Osaka Castle in Osaka, Japan. It was in Osaka that they viewed plans for the Evangelistic Center to be built there.



In Penang, Malaya the Gerharts were thrilled by the work being done by missionary Evelyn Hatchett, right. Shang-Fong Chang, center, manages his family's rubber plantation during the day and assists Sis. Hatchett in his free time. Sis. Gerhart is seated at the left

Superintendent Visits Osaka

by Fredolf B. Sondeno

Scanning the entire city from our vantage point atop the majestic Osaka Castle, Brother Gerhart's question pierced my soul. "Why have these teeming millions in such a tremendous city been neglected and almost forgotten?" We could see the throngs going in and out of several train stations and vehicles of every description jamming the narrow streets creating one of the world's worst traffic problems. A city the size of Chicago stretched out before our eyes. It was hard to believe that this city of over three million people did not have an Assemblies of God church.

Yes, "Why?" is the big question, but it need never be asked again, for plans are now being made to build an Evengelistic Center in the heart of Osaka! As we unfolded these plans which I believe were born of God, Brother and Sister Gerhart who had just flown in from Tokyo were thrilled, and I could see the burden for the



Typical Scene in Osaka

souls in Osaka whelm up in their hearts. I explained to them that the Executive Committee of Japan has appointed two other missionaries and me to undertake this tremendous task. The entire field has enthusiastically established this Osaka Center as the number one priority project for all of Japan. Brothers Jim Davis and Lyle Phillips and I have dedicated ourselves to this challenge, and the forces of evil which have held sway over this city for all these centuries will be pushed back, for G o d has already given us His promises.

After leaving the Osaka Castle we rode through the city's thorofares in "Kamikaze" taxis, were pushed, pulled and shoved around on the city trains and walked down the quaint narrow streets to a possible site for the Osaka Evengelistic Center. Standing there in the empty lot, the Gerharts realized

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First Church Education Convention Is Informative

On April 27-28 the first Church Education Convention ever to be held in the Assemblies of God convened in Sacramento.

Conferences covering a wide variety of subjects were held over the two-day period. Most of the topics dealt directly with church education; however, there were a number of other conferences on miscellaneous subjects that drew much attention. Most of the speakers were members of the Northern California-Nevada District.

Rev. Charles Blair, pastor of the renowned Calvary Temple in Denver, Colorado, was guest speaker for the evening rallies. His challenging messages seemed to spark a new inspiration in the hearts of the intent adui-

Rev. Paul Trulin of Vallejo and Rev. Robert B. Thomas of Fresno were leaders of the two United Assemblies. Both ministered with 'true effectiveness in the meetings where all the smaller groups were brought together.

The entire convention was under the direction of Rev. David C. Colbert, district Sunday school director.

Throughout the convention remarks of gratitude and praise were heard for this type of meeting. The high amount of constructive and informative material and the low amount of promotion seemed to be most appreciated.



One of the Conferences



Guest Speaker, Charles Blair



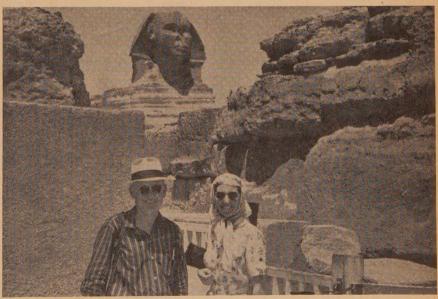
Visiting one of the 900 prayer temples in Bangkok, Thailand.



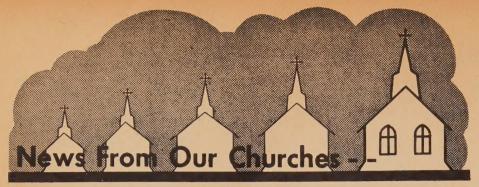
Standing in front of an animal temple in Lacknon, India



Along the Ganges River the Gerharts saw the holy men of India.



The age old Sphinx at Cairo, Egypt, formed the background for this interesting picture.



AUBURN -

Bethel Assembly enjoyed a threeweek campaign with Evangelist Claude O. Wood. Six were saved and three received the Holy Spirit. The Sunday School record was broken with 104. David Hines of Colfax was guest speaker C. A. Day. T. E. Fourt is pastor.

CARMICHAEL -

First Assembly held a missionary convention May 4-8 with speakers from Japan, India, Africa and pastors representing the home mission field. L. W. Suter is pastor.

CORNING -

Pastor David Hood reports two years of blessing and growth in their church. For many months a spirit of revival has prevailed. A number of people have been saved and some filled with the Holy Spirit. On March 27 the new annex was dedicated. It contains a kitchen, pastor's study, classrooms, WMC room and a social hall. The Sunday School average has consistantly risen from 60 in 1959 to 124 in 1961. Evengelists include the Thornton party, Eddie and Ruth Washington and Lucky Royal.

CUPERTINO -

Monte Vista Assembly heard guest speakers James Martin, Sr. on April 23, Hal Herman on April 30. H. Russell Baker is pasaor.

DEL PASO HEIGHTS -

Astoria Assembly enjoyed a Youth Revival with Evangelist Doris Sisk of Turlock in April. The first of its kind to be held in this church. It was well attended. Astoria is enjoying a good growth. Tom B. Myers is pastor.

ELK GROVE -

Newly appointed pastor, Kenneth Roper, reports a good spiritual atmosphere throughout the church. During his first month, the Sunday School attendance has averaged 46. Sixty-two were present on Mother's Day. Rev. Milton Woods of Orangevale and Rev. Dwight Burchett of Sacramento have been guest speakers. Elk Grove is on the verge of a housing and industrial boom. Pastor Roper, writes, "There is without a doubt, a tremendous opportunity here to advance the Kingdom of God."

HOLLISTER -

Coast Counties Sectional Fellowship Meeting for April was held the 24 with host Pastor Pike Robinson. Pastor Kenneth Short of Santa Cruz and Evangelist Ralph Cranston were speakers. On May 21 former General Superintendent Ralph Riggs was guest speaker.

LIVE OAK -

Pastor Kenneth Bird held a Homecoming Revival on May 14-28 welcoming all former pastors and members.

MENLO PARK -

Pastor George Holmes reports C.A.s ministered on National C.A. Day. In the evening a skit entitled "Above and Beyond" was presented. Bob and Dan McGraw, Bible college evangelists from Wyoming, conducted a week of meetings. A C.A. Seminar for officers in the Peninsula Section heard Eddie Kramer.

MORGAN HILL -

Bethany Bible College presented the "Seven Last Words" in April and in May the Special Choir with Director Forrest Beiser held an evening of sacred music. Hal Herman was guest speaker for Pastor Douglas Fairington recently.

NAPA -

Bethel Assembly heard Evangelist Andrew Fliflet on Mar. 19-31. The pastor is Charles Pepper.

NAPA -

First Assembly enjoyed the ministry of Dr. Henry H. Ness on May 14-21. He taught and preached on the ministry of the Holy Spirit. The pastor is Duane Trulin.

OAKLAND -

Calvery Temple heard foreign missionaries J. W. Nilsen of the Congo, and Robert Renfroe from Liberia, recently. Oliver Foth is pastor.

ORANGEVALE -

Evengelist David P. Hines held a recent meeting for Pastor M. L. Woods. The attendance was good, a spirit of fellowship prevailed and the church was benefited by his ministry. Eight came for salvation.

PLACERVILLE -

Evengelist John and Faith Stallings of Orlando, Fla. held a revival for Pastor C. L. Ruse recently. During the three weeks of meetings some were saved and filled with the Holy Spirit.

Peninsula Sectional Fellowship Meeting was held April 17 with Pastor E. R. Scratch. Evengelists Eddie and Ruth Washington brought special music and the message.

SACRAMENTO -

Bethel Temple's Annual Speed-the-Light Convention was held in April with the Francis Sturgeons, John Kennedys and Glen Horst speaking. Clyde Henson is pastor.

SANTA ROSA -

First Assembly enjoyed the ministry of Evengelist Ed Cole in May. Adrian Benning is pastor.

SALINAS -

Calvary Assembly heard "The King's Men" of Bethany Bible College May 7. The pastor is Ray Oliver.

SAN JOSE -

Calvary Temple heard Hal Herman April 26. T. Kermit Jeffrey is pastor. (Continued on Page 14)

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(signed) Mrs. Yvonne King



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Steve Asmuth, President

Remember Your Servicemen

by Stanley Wise, C. A. President First Assembly of God, Oakland

After spending two years in the Army as a chaplain's assistant, I realize that the young men in the armed services are often the most forgotten youth of the church. These men feel this, as they are separated from home, family, the church and young people with whom they have grown up for perhaps the first time in their lives. These ties have now been loosened, and it is the responsibility of those back home to see that they are not completely broken.

Our serviceman is meeting the greatest temptations he has ever had to face. He is going to be either spiritually weakened or strengthened by the conflict. He will find a place of downfall or an unlimited field of Christian service. What we do for him at home can make the difference.

Mail from his family is expected. Mail from his church and friends is not only a real encouragement to him, but it makes it that much harder to forget the spiritual guidance and the consecrations that have been his. A church bulletin or newsletter lets him

know what is going on at home.

Also, a paper such as Reveille, published by the Servicemen's Division of the National Christ's Ambassadors Department, provides spiritual encouragement and answers to his peculiar needs and problems. It provides a sense of humor at a time when it is necessary and appreciated. And, by passing it on to a buddy, it provides an ideal opportunity to witness for Christ.

Let us not forget these men who are protecting us. It is our duty to them.

Observe July 2nd National Servicemen's Day

- Pray for your personal friends, for C. A.'s, and for the unsaved in the service.
- *Write to your servicemen friends individuals or group letters.
- *Forward the addresses of your friends who are in the service to the Servicemen's Division, National C. A. Department, Assemblies of God, Springfield 1, Mo.
- *Plan a special C. A. service in honor of the servicemen. Program materials are contained in the summer quarter C. A. Guide.
- *Send an offering to the Servicemen's Division for the support of its many ministries for servicemen at home and abroad.

Madera C. A. Tells of Youth Week Varied Activities

by Louise Hubbard, reporter

Opening National Youth Week activities on Sunday, April 9, the C.A.'s of First Assembly of God, Madera, Calif., presented a skit entitled "Unseen: But Present." Participating in the skit were Everett Gilbert, Ken Smith, Lafe Brown, Art Long, Danny Markle, Kathy McPherson, Zeta Hibdon, and Louise Hubbard. This play was chosen to emphasize the Holy Spirit in relation to Power, which is the C. A. theme for 1961.

The C. A.'s took charge of the Wednesday night service with Everett Gilbert, C. A. president, preaching on Power. Friday night there was a singspiration, supervised by Ken Smith.

C. A. Day, the concluding day of National Youth Week, started off with the annual C. A. breakfast in a Madera restaurant. After the breakfast and musical entertainment by Dolores Smith, Lavada McRee, Kaye Weaver, and Sister Robertson, our pastor, Brother Bob Robertson, spoke about living Above and Beyond, which is the National Youth Week theme.

A group of Bethany Bible College students were present for the Sunday services. Frank Valdez, one of the students, preached in the morning service. From the morning service we went to a hamburger barbecue, and then to a singspiration at the Grace Assembly of God.

Our C. A. service started at 6:30 p. m. with prayer. Three of the students from Bethany gave testimonies of their calling to B. B. C.

In the evangelistic service the B. B. C. students presented a variety of musical numbers and Phil Sexauer brought the concluding message. God wonderfully blessed in all our youth week activities.

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ALASKA -

Donel and Lorene Leach have returned to Fairbanks praising God for a good trip of over 17,000 miles. Brother Leach has been asked to fill a vacancy left by a missionary returning briefly to the States and Sister Leach is carrying on the services with some assistance during his absence.

CENTRAL AMERICA -

Leland and Shilrey Good, studying in Costa Rica, have spent half their allotted time in language study. They have gotten some grasp of Spanish and are trusting the Lord for fluency and efficiency before going to Bolivia in August.

CENTRAL AFRICA -

Paul and Miriam Wright, Nyasaland, welcomed the Delmar Kingswriters who are to assist them in the Press and District work. The print shop is to be expanded and a house for the new missionaries built.

FIJI ISLANDS -

Ed and Charlotte Heetebry, Suva, report four men received the Holy Spirit after a session of Bible study. Recently, eight men (Fijian) were saved in a Sunday night service. Special prayer is requested for a building in Lautoka before they must leave on furlough.

INDIA -

John and Eunice Wright have accepted a new position as principals for the Tamil Bible Institute in Madurai, South India. Their tenure at Southern Asia Bible Institute has been a most happy one, lasting five years.

MEXICO -

John Peck, Acapulco, writes of holding meetings in Santa Lucia. Children enjoyed VBS in the afternoons. Many decisions for Christ were made, some were healed and demons cast out. Many of the village heard the message gladly, but threats have been made on his life. Pray for the Pecks.

SOUTH AFRICA -

Lewis and Lenore Wilson, Transval, write the new school year began with what seems the most gifted class they have seen so far. Five "coloreds" have enrolled this spring. Zulus, Basutos,

Swazis, Shaangans and other tribes are represented. The A. Kasts from Basutoland spent three weeks teaching at Witbank and it is hoped they may assist again. A minister's institute conducted recently had as host pastor a former student.

SOUTH AMERICA -

Leroy and Elaine Atwood, Uruguay, report another fruitful field in Palmitas. A Catholic woman invited them to hold services in her yard where a platform was set up on drums. One hundred people were waiting when they arrived. A weekly service was requested and they have been holding services there each Saturday night. A deaf girl has been touched by the Lord and is beginning to speak. A shed is being used for services with the promise of a lot for a church.

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Personal Mention

PASTOR FRANCISCO AGUILOR of Bethel Assembly, Tijuana, reports a successful revival with Evangelist Lloyd Perera, the Ceylonese minister.

EVANGELIST LEONARD MIL-LER held a meeting recently in Firebaugh when 14 were saved.

PASTOR LEONARD PALMER resigned his position as pastor in Fairfield to accept the church at Taft beginning April 5.

EVANGELISTS TED and HAZEL SILVA ministered and presented musical programs for Pastor Robert Pirtle in Roseville and Pastor Duane Trulin in Napa.

BORN TO -

John and Eunice Wright of South India, March 27, Marshall Heath.

Jack and Louise Booze, April 17, Carmelis Kay.

Dave and Carmen Paco on May 1, Cheryl Ann.

STUDY THE BOOK

I took the word "Love" and I do not know how many weeks I spent in studying the passages in the Bible in which it occurs, till at last I could not help loving people. It just flowed out of my fingers.

I got to thinking of the compassion of Christ. So I took the Bible and began to read it over to find out what it said on the subject. At last the thought of His infinite compassion over-powered me. I could only lie on the floor of my study, with my face in the open Bible and cry like a child.

- D. L. Moody

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- 3. Never give him any spiritual training. Wait until he is twenty-one and then let him "decide for himself".
- 4. A void the use of the word "wrong". It may develop a guilt complex. This will condition him to believe later, when he is arrested for stealing a car, that society is against him and he is being persecuted.
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- 6. Let him read any printed matter he can get his hands on. Be careful that the silverware and drinking glasses are sterilized, but let his mind feast on garbage.
- 7. Quarrel frequently in the presence of your children. In this way they will not be too shocked when the home is broken up later.
- 8. Give a child all the spending money he wants. Never let him earn his own. Why should he have to have things as tough as you had them?
- 9. Satisfy his every craving for food, drink and comfort. See that every sensual desire is gratified. Denial may lead to harmful frustration.
- 10. Take his part against neighbors, teachers, policemen. They are all prejudiced against your child.
- 11. When he gets into real trouble, apologize to yourself by saying: "I never could do anything with him."
- 12. Prepare for a life of grief. You will be likely to have it.

—With acknowledgment to Daily Telegraph.

Send A Child To Camp

A week in the Christian atmosphere of boys and girls camp has been the turning point in many a child's life. A Christian camp not only gives a physical and social outlet, but it also provides spiritual help and gives an additional amount of time for instruction in God's Word.

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MISSIONARIES AT HOME

- UKIAH held a local missionary convention in April with Ovid and Helen Dillingham, Paul Pipkin and James Stewart as speakers.
- MARYSVILLE observed their annual missionary convention with the John Kennedys, Dillinghams, and Johnsons on April 29-30.
- CARMICHAEL and ROSEVILLE participated in a convention May 4-7 with the Dillinghams, Kennedys and Stewarts.
- SUNNYVALE AREA enjoyed a 'convention with Cupertino, Palo Alto, Santa Clara and Mountain View participating. Missionaries taking part included the H. B. Garlocks, Stewarts, Dillinghams, Kennedys, Johnsons, Kenneth Short and for the deaf, Cole Tyner. Home missions

was presented by William Vickery, George Effman and R. A. Wilson.

- WATSONVILLE Pajaro held a local convention May 28 with Kenneth Short and James Stewart speaking.
- SAN JOSE AREA held a convention sponsored by Pastor Kermit Jeffrey in May. The Garlocks, Dillinghams, Kennedys, Stewarts and Johnsons participated.
- SANTA ROSA held a local convention with the Dillinghams.
- ROBERT AND OLGA RENFROE have been actively promoting the Bible School in Liberia, while he continues his assistance in Missions Televised in Los Angeles. Sister Renfroe has definitely improved in health.

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Many are willing to use God, but are not willing for God to use them.

Superintendent Visits Osaka

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with me that this was the beginning of an adventure into faith which staggers us in the natural. This lot alone would cost around \$20,000. Here is to be constructed a soul saving center which will have a far reaching effect upon Japan. This vital area of Osaka is the crossing point of several railroad lines plus a subway. A large university is only eight minutes from this spot.

In the distance we could see the magnificent castle which had been used by the fuedal lords in the 16th century. Osaka has a colorful history and boasts of its grand castle and hundreds of temples and shrines, but the story of its spiritual landmarks is pathetically lacking. I tried my best that day to answer our superintendent's question. I explained that our lack of vision was not the reason. The Assemblies of God missionaries for many years have been challenged to take this great metropolis for Christ. It was mostly due to the lack of laborers to go into this area and the shortage of funds to construct a suitable Center. But at last definite plans have materialized and we are moving ahead as God directs. By faith we can see this witness for God established in the heart of Osaka.

Brother and Sister Gerhart ministered to the students at Central Bible Institute in Tokyo and visited the orphanage and several churches in this area. The last night of their stay in Japan the missionaries in Kobe gathered at our home and together with

our Northern California and Nevada District Superintendent and his wife we enjoyed an evening of unusually sweet fellowship. We know that Japan has been blessed because of their they will have a renewed vision for the world's lost when they return home. For they have come face to face with the stark reality of the forsaken and neglected teeming millions in Japan's two largest cities.

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Men's Fellowship



GUNNAR SONDENO, President



Report on District M.F. Activities

The new District Men's Fellowship officers, Pres. Gunnar Sondeno, Vice Pres. Norman Hahn, and Sec.-Treas. Enoch Christofferson have been plenty busy since taking office in early March.

Pres. Gunnar Sondeno's first activity after taking office was on March 6th at a M. F. meeting in Merced. M. F. members from Madera, Gustine as well as Merced were in attendance at the dinner held at the local Assembly of God. A local newspaper man was invited to attend this dinner and as a result of this meeting accepted Christ a week later.

On March 17th, Pres. Sondeno, Vice Pres. Norman Hahn, as well as District Sec.-Treas. Jack Edgar attended a M. F. Ladies Night Banquet at Ridley, Calif.

Next came the Tri-Sectional Men's Fellowship Dinner Rally at Turlock on



Pictured is the head table of the M.F. ladies night at Gridley. From left to right are Rev. and Mrs. Hazen Chester; Norman Hahn, M.F. vice president; Rev. Jack R. Edgar, District secretary - treasurer; Gunnar Sondeno, M.F. president and Barnie Johnson, local M.F. president.

April 7th. One hundred and seventyfive men enjoyed the turkey dinner where Deputy District Attorney Herbert Ellingwood was the speaker and The Squire Team from England furnished the music. Sec.-Treas. Enoch Christoffersen played a major role in organizing this well attended dinner. Another District M. F. sponsored project was the Greater Bay Area Men's Fellowship rally held at Glad Tidings, San Francisco, on April 22nd. National M. F. Secretary Burton Pierce spoke about the national M. F. program and challenged the men to greater efforts along the line of personal witnessing. Preceding this meeting a Sectional Directors Forum was held for all dist rict and sectional officers. Representative Sam Cochran of the M. F. Light For The Lost missionary program also took part in this forum. A delicious swiss steak dinner followed.

One of the highlights of the district activities was the Church Education Convention held at Bethel Temple in Sacramento on April 27th. A joint W. M. C. and M. F. buffet dinner was served to 125 people preceding the one hour M. F. conference that followed. Pres. Gunnar Sondeno presented the District Program for the coming year.

M. F. officers, Pres. Sondeno and Sec.-Treas. Enoch Christoffersen, flew to Winnamucca, Nevada on May 12th, and presented the District program to the newly organized North Nevada Section headed by Sectional Director W. (Swede) Welshenbaugh.

Looks like the new District M. F. officers intend to keep M. F. alive in Northern Calif. and Nevada. These are active Christian laymen who have full time jobs of their own, but still find time to devote part of their busy schedule for Christian lay activities.

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by GUNNAR SONDENO, President,
District Men's Fellowship

The main objectives for Men's Fellowship are simple but realistic; They are:

- 1) To win men to Christ.
- 2) To encourage co-operation with the local church, district and national organization.
- 3) To encourage loyalty to Christ, to the church, and to the pastor.
- 4) To foster Christian fellowship and to enlist, organize, and utilize our men in active Christian service.

In order to accomplish the above, The Men's Fellowship Committee is proposing the following objectives and goals for 1961:

- a) Local church Men's Fellowship emphasis by dinners, meetings, and activities, centered around the theme of "Every Man Win a Man".
- b) Chartering of Men's Fellowship groups in every church.
- c) Encourage the Sectional Directors to assist the local MF groups and to coordinate their efforts with the MF District Program.
- d) Area Wide Men's Fellowship Rallies, with special emphasis on Soul Winning.
- e) Annual Sectional Directors Seminar.
- f) "Men's Fellowship Day" at all District Camp Meetings.
- g) District Wide Annual Men's Fellowship Retreat.

It can not be emphasized too strongly that all other organizational units of Men's Fellowship exists for the benefit of the group within the local church. National, District, Sectional, and Area wide activities take a secondary place to the local organization.

As a part of the church Men's Fellowship is answerable to the pastor; and under him should become an integral part of the church set up with local lay leaders. Since MF was brought into existance to serve the

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Evangelists . . . in Our District



Norman and Loretta Kaupanger have for the past few years been active in childrens work in the District. They call their meetings the Kaupanger Kids Krusades. They employ a number of means to attract the children and minister the Word. Each service Norman plays a different musical instrument. Among them are the bazooka, saw and his own special instrument, the tooter. Loretta, who has a Bible theme for every message, uses magic, surprise object lessons, films and puppets. Puppets are the favorite of the children. She also gives chalk talks and uses storytelling with action. All in all Bro. and Sis. Kaupanger have an effective ministry among the children. If you are interested in contacting them, write to 1830 Jose Ave., Santa Cruz, Calif. Phone GR 5-7639.

The Measuring Line

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As I personally tend the people God has given me, can I see this one and that one growing in grace, mutual understanding and love? Do I see individuals learning for themselves the secrets of spiritual power and bearing fruit in their homes and work places? Is a rather outward form of religion becoming less "folksy" and more Christ-centered? Are there those who are being inspired to unspectacular but wholesome self-sacrifice? 'Is God able to get His way in the meetings, even if it means certain adherents threaten never to come again? Perhaps our question might be more provoking if, instead of asking "How many?" we were to ask "How deep?"

On the other hand, a pastor might easily feel that nothing is being accomplished if he uses only the human measuring line. At one time, even the prophet Elijah seemed quite convinced that he was the only man left faithful to God. God gently corrected him on that point. Pastor Zechariah discovered that Jerusalem extended far wider than he could see through his office window.

George Smith, a Moravian missionary, went to Africa. The people were

antagonistic and after a short while drove him from the country. One poor woman was his only convert. Shortly afterwards, George Smith died - on his knees, praying for Africa. He was considered a failure.

Some years later, a company of men stumbled upon the place where he had prayed and worked and found a copy of the Scriptures he had left. Presently, they met the one poor woman who was his convert. Here was 100 per cent success. A century later, his mission counted more than 13,000 converts who had sprung from the ministry of George Smith. He was a success or he was a failure according to how you measure his work.

The wall of fire around Jerusalem and the glorious presence of God in her midst were the all-important, but forgotten factors. In the world for witness, "to demonstrate the goodness of Him who has called you out of darkness into His amazing Light, (1 Peter 2.9, Phillips') is God's purpose for His Church. This, together with the presence of God in glorious manifestation among the believers, point us in the direction of the scale that matters. The measure and the fruit of the Holy Spirit in the lives of the church members and throbbing through the church's ministry and message is the object to keep in view.

Divine Fire, constantly descending; inwardly consuming; outwardly shining and, thereafter, rising upward as flames of consecration - this we must have, else our altars are cold, our temples mere tombs and our organizations lifeless.

"Not by might (of sheer numbers) nor by power (of super programs) but by My Spirit, saith the Lord of hosts." (Zech. 4.6.)

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local church we intend to place a great deal of emphasis along this line this vear.

The need of financing our entire MF program has become a main deterent, therefore we must formulate a systematic financial program so that the burden can be carried equally by each local MF member.

A great deal of pioneering has been done the last three years in District Men's Fellowship work. We believe the program to be God-Ordained. It is officially recognized in our District and therefor deserves the full cooperation of everyone. As workers together for Him let us hope that Men's Fellowship can become one of the strong vehicles in the church for the saving of many souls during the year of 1961.

News from Churches (from Page 8) SANTA CLARA -

Neighborhood Assembly has completed the course, "Understanding God's Word" with Kenneth Camp as teacher. Pastor Duane Trulin of Napa held several nights of meetings which were profitable. An eight room educational unit including a kitchen is about complete. E. R. Gomes is pastor.

TRACY -

First Assembly enjoyed the ministry of Evangelist C. O. Wood in May. Eugene Lawrance is pastor.

TURLOCK -

Bethel Temple's pastor, Robert Carrington, reports about 30 have been saved in the past 3 months and in 1 week 5 received the Holy Spirit. Five services by the Fred Squire Evengelistic Party were had in April. Bethany Bible College Ambassador Choir with Director Forrest Beiser ministered on April 16. Lyric tenor Bobby Green was heard each night, April 26-30. A New Life Bible Study is conducted each Tuesday night by the pastor for new converts and those interested in basic Christian living.

UKIAH -

Assembly of God was host to Lake Mendocino Speed-the-Light Rally on April 13. It was under the direction of D-Cap Steve Asmuth; Bill Lewis and Bob Clark were speakers.

WILLOW CREEK -

Six months of revival in the regular services has resulted with someone saved or receiving the Holy Spirit nearly every week. Two weeks in April a joint training course and a week or revival with Hoopa was held with Evangelist C. M. Colas. Twenty-four received certificates. Fred C. Howe is pastor.

TURLOCK

Northside was host to a sectional fellowship meeting when their new parsonage was dedicated. R. A. Wilson and Philip Stewart were speakers. The pastor is M. G. Thornton.

WINTERS -

Evangelist J. E. Reddick held a revival for Pastor Max Inman in April. The pastor and church agreed it was the best they have had. Seven men were baptised in the Spirit. An offering in cash and pledges was received for new pews and carpet.

SAN JOSE -

Friendly Bible Church opened their new sanctuary with 60 days of special services starting Easter Sunday. Evangelists Bud and Darlene Chambers. Quinten Edwards and party, Little David Walker, Robert Fierro and others ministered. Rayford C. Aderholt is pastor.



W.M.C. Activities

GOLDIA ANDERSON, President



Sparks, Nevada Holds W.M.C. Fair



First prize went to the Gay 90's Room. The room was made up of blankets and aprons. Mrs. Nadine Martin is wearing the costume.

Everyone enjoys visiting a county fair to see the displays of everything from food to handwork, building materials to electronics, all blending to make a colorful pageant. The Women's Missionary Council of Sparks, Nevada, developed the idea of a W. M. C. Fair last year for presenting to the church and community a display of the work done by the ladies.

Working in groups of two or three, each furnished her own materials for the type of work she most enjoyed. One concentrated on quilts and baby quilts, another on aprons and potholders, one on knitting baby garments, one on crocheted towel sets and embroidered work and toys. Two ladies concentrated on making dresses for the little girl in Hillcrest National Children's Home adopted by the group. Working over a period of about seven months, the total cost of the booths ranged from \$25.00 to slightly over \$100.00.

W. M. C. groups from all the other churches in the section were invited to participate, bringing a display of their work, and spending a day of fellowship together. Visitors were asked to vote on the separate displays so that a blue ribbon could be awarded the booth receiving top honors. April 20th was set as Fair Day. Sister Goldia Anderson was speaker at both morning and afternoon services.

Missionaries Enjoy Mission Villa



The Ovid Dillingham Family

A furlough is not an easy time in the life of any missionary. Our daughter, Loris, remarked that she liked being a missionary in India, but she didn't like being one in America.

However, there have been some very favorable contrasts between this furlough and our last one. One of the great contributing factors to the contrast is Pacific Missionary Village. We feel very privileged to be occupying the largest of the homes so graciously provided by a Board of Trustees with a "home" missionary vision in cooperation with the Northern California-Nevada District and so adequately furnished by our Women's Missionary Councils. Because these homes are at Bethany Park it is possible for us to have all six of our family together under one roof after being separated by twelve thousand miles for several

We arrived home on November 1 with are accumulation of the weariness and tensions of five years of missionary service to face the adjustments of our family to the American way of life. What an emotional release it was to be able to move in our traveling bags and find a furnished house really furnished. We didn't have to search for an egg beater or a towel. They were all there! This is truly a home

to us, who possessed of this world's goods upon arrival in the U. S. A., only a depleted wardrobe. Can we possibly convey to you how truly grateful we are!

- Ovid & Helen Dillingham

A TIME FOR EVERYTHING

"For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under Heaven; a time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted; a time to kill, and a time to heal . . ." And so he goes on with his long list of contrasts.

Thus the author accurately shows the paradoxical nature of life. We go from one side to the other. This may give us the impression that life is completely mixed up, that neither side is any better than the other. But the wise men do not really believe that.

Life is complex, but there is a purpose back of it. The One who made life what it is, planned life to be complex. We, the creatures, ought to recognize that complexity and fit our lives into it. It is right to plant when it is time to plant; it is wrong to plant when it is time to reap. The truly wse man does the right thing at the right time. —Quoted in Christian Observer

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